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For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR WASHING PHOTOMASK AND WASHING		
SOLUTION FOR PHOTOMASK		

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the claims as reflected in the "Amendment to the Claims", starting on page  
2 of this preliminary amendment.